

MODERN TOWER CHIMES

From Soap Box
(Played by Organist from Electric Keyboard)

Inventive genius has made the operation of Modern Tower Chimes as simple and easy as picking out a tune with one finger on the piano. The tone—round, full and velvety—is fully controlled by electrically operated striking actions and dampers which latter prevent all tone intermingling. Cost is moderate. Concerted action will enable US to have Chimes ringing by NEXT Christmas.

THE MEMORIAL SUBLIME

To persons of affluence these modern Chimes present the one most fitting and enduring form of Memorial. Inquiry addressed to J. C. Deagan, Inc., 279 Deagan Building, Chicago (to whom we are indebted for these folders) will bring, without obligation, full information including attractive Memorial Booklet.

Intro. Parable of Sower not encouraging as to growth.

Much wasted and unfruitful sowing.

Parable of Mustard Seed gives the other side of the picture- the K. of G. will grow as from a small seed to a large tree. It is a study in the principles and laws of growth as well as a prophecy of what is to be.

1. The wonder of growing things.

The erecting of a bldg we can understand.

But the growth of a seed into a large tree!

The seed casts no shadow, shelters no birds, yields no fruit nor timber, but give it time and it will do all these things! because it contains life and vitality.!

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2. Applied to the K. of G. we have

A. The apparent insignificance of the K. of G.

Jesus a despised Jew, one of a despised people subject to the Roman Empire.

The hostility of his own towards him.

The utter unfitness of the world to receive the Kingdom.

His little handful of followers called upon to win all nations to his most unpopular cause.

With their leader crucified these few humble followers of Christ, simply by telling the story of Jesus, his life, his teachings, his deeds, his death and his resurrection set out to win the world unto Him. It was asking the world to take the word of unknown men and ~~to~~ commit their lives to an unknown person, and by so doing to ~~change~~ ^{announce} their whole lives for his sake.

Think of the amazing courage and daring of the man Jesus as he stands there conscious of all this and announces in this parable form the growth of his kingdom!

3 B. What is the secret of the Master's courage and confidence? He had absolute confidence in the ultimate greatness and triumph of the Kingdom for the same reason that he had confidence in the seed to grow into a large tree. He knew that if he could but plant the Kingdom in one small place that it would grow and inevitably spread until it became a great power in the world.

As the seed contains certain vital elements that insure its growth, so the Kingdom of God has vitality within itself which will enable it to grow when properly planted.

There are certain human qualities, ideas, utterances and acts when expressed that just can't help but grow. They contain vital living energy as does the seed. They sink into the hearts and minds of men and grow into a lasting influence.

What, then, is the vital element in Xty? What did Christ plant that no one else ever planted? What keeps him in undying remembrance and adds to him ~~fresh~~ fresh subject from succeeding generations?

Is it the wisdom and beauty of his teachings?

Is it the holiness and goodness of his life?

These alone could never put within his cause such amazing vitality for growth. But added to these there is the revelation of God in him as shown forth in his death and resurrection that gives to the world the absolute assurance of the Love and Goodness of God in Christ. It is God in

Christ that draws us. We cling to Christ because He lifts us up to God and carries us safely into eternity. In Him men meet a God who satisfies all the longings of their souls.

C. By this parable our Lord points out the eventual greatness of the Kingdom of God on earth.

The K. of G. will triumph ultimately over all the evil in the world.

It will shape the nations in their mutual relations.

It will perfect governments and make the social order what God wants it to be.

It will bring Heaven to Earth.

You look at the hard unpromising soil and doubt Jesus? Look into the seed and see there the life and vitality it contains! Thy kingdom come, thy will be done! Aye, the seed is planted and it has started to grow. The Kingdom of God is growing and will bear the fruits of promise. Because God reigns in his kingdom and apart from the life of God man cannot live. God in the soul of man is the life of the Kingdom.